

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI  
EASTERN DIVISION**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,**

**VS.**

**CRIMINAL ACTION NO. 1:09CR136-P-D**

**WENDELL G. BLOUNT,**

**DEFENDANT.**

**ORDER CONTINUING TRIAL**

This matter comes before the court upon Defendant's Motion for Continuance of Trial Setting an All Applicable Deadlines [20]. After due consideration of the motion, the court finds as follows, to-wit:

Trial is currently set for December 14, 2009. Defense counsel requests a continuance to afford more time to meet inspect recently provided discovery material and to retain expert witnesses.

The Government has no objection to the continuance.

The above circumstances enable the Court to exclude, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. section 3161(h)(7)(A), the period of delay from December 14, 2009 until the new trial date to be set in this matter. The time is excludable under subsection (h)(7)(A) because, given the circumstances described above, a continuance is necessary to afford the defendant's counsel more time to adequately prepare for his client's defense. As such, the ends of justice served by the granting of this continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that:

(1) Defendant's Motion for Continuance of Trial Setting an All Applicable Deadlines [20] is **GRANTED**;

(2) Trial of this matter is continued until Monday, February 8, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in the

United States Courthouse in Greenville, Mississippi;

(3) The delay from December 14, 2009 to February 8, 2010 is excluded from Speedy Trial Act considerations as set out above;

(4) The deadline for filing pretrial motions is January 19, 2010; and

(5) The deadline for submitting a plea agreement is January 25, 2010.

**SO ORDERED** this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, A.D., 2009.

/s/ W. Allen Pepper, Jr.  
W. ALLEN PEPPER, JR.  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE